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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sampson, *et al.*
Serial No: 09/358,141
Filed: July 20, 1999
For: METHOD OF PRODUCING NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES WITH
REDUCED SECONDARY STRUCTURE

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Sir:

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the Office notice or action plus any extensions of time actually obtained.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION.

A check in the amount of \$1,210.00 is enclosed representing the Petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(m).

The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office Action in the form of a Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application signed and executed by the inventor is enclosed herewith.

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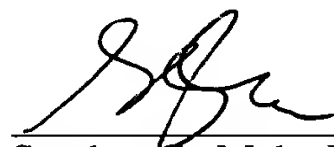
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Since this utility application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be revived.

Please charge any necessary and/or additional fees and credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721

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